ARGUMENTS/REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested. Claims 1-20 are currently pending. By this amendment, claims 18-20 are amended, and claim 17 is canceled. Claims 1-16 and 18-20 remain. Claims 1-16 are allowed. Claims 19 and 20 are amended to depend from claim 18.

Applicant appreciates the allowance of claim 18 if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, claim 18 is amended to include all of the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Therefore, claim 18 is allowable. Claims 19 and 20, which depend from claim 18, are allowable as depending from an allowable claim and also for the specific limitations recited therein.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the above-identified patent application is in condition for allowance, and allowance of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested.

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